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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 9, 2001, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

AMENDMENTS

In the claims, please rewrite claims 15 and 24 as follows:

15. (thrice amended) A medical diagnostic ultrasound catheter for imaging from within a body, the catheter comprising:

a shaft;

an ultrasound transducer connected with the shaft;

a lens adjacent the ultrasound transducer, the lens having a focus; and



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